## SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT RESOLUTION # 2017-023 OF SUPPORT FOR CONTINUATION OF THE DEBT MILL LEVY BALLOT QUESTION TO INCREASE DEBT WITHOUT IMPOSING ANY NEW TAX NOVEMBER 7, 2017 SPECIAL ELECTION

WHEREAS, the South Suburban Park and Recreation District ("District") has placed before its voters a Ballot Question to Increase Debt without imposing any new tax by extending the currently authorized debt mill levy; and

WHEREAS, the District has adopted the 2017 Parks and Recreation Master Plan that recognized the many needs of the District's diverse communities and identified current and future capital needs; and

WHEREAS, the District's long-term plan for open space, parks, trails and recreational facilities requires a continuation of this revenue to support both the current and future needs of the South Suburban area for recreational amenities including:

- (1) Improving connectivity of existing trails in the District to regional trails such as the High Line Canal Trail, and providing improvements along the trails for walkers and bikers.
- (2) Improving energy and water efficiency at parks, fields and facilities.
- (3) Repairing and improving aging recreation facilities to provide updated services for seniors, families and children.
- (4) Providing more opportunities for active recreation for children, youth, and adults by building a new indoor multi-generational facility, including turf fields and pickleball courts.
- (5) Renovating and upgrading existing playgrounds and improving existing parks; and

WHEREAS, the District needs authority to issue bonds and to extend the current debt mill levy set to expire in 2019 to provide these capital investments to the community; and

WHEREAS, this ballot measure, if passed, will NOT impose any new tax; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Fair Campaign Practices Act prohibits the spending of District funds to support such a ballot proposal; but the Act does authorize the adoption and distribution in normal fashion of a Resolution regarding the issue.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the South Suburban Park and Recreation District that the Board does express its strongest possible support for the Ballot Question to Increase Debt without imposing any new tax as placed before the voters for a November 7, 2017 decision; and further confirms that this is a vitally important measure necessary to the investment and maintenance of facilities and services being provided to protect the health, safety and welfare of current and future District residents.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017, by the Board of Directors of the South Suburban Park and Recreation District, by a vote of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_ for and \_\_\_\_\_\_ 0 \_\_\_\_ against.

SOUTH SUBURBAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

By

John K. Ostermiller, Chairman

ATTEST: